



Week of Feb. 18 – Feb. 24, 2009

### **Return of the Air Force Good Conduct Medal**

On Feb. 11 the Air Force brought back the Air Force Good Conduct Medal for enlisted members. This change is effective immediately and retroactive to when the medal was discontinued on Feb. 6, 2006.

“This is a great day for the Air Force,” said Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force Rodney J. McKinley. “The Air Force Good Conduct Medal has a positive impact on good order and discipline in the unit. The medal is part of our history and this reinstatement strengthens our enlisted heritage.”

Facts about the medal:

- The medal is awarded to enlisted members who complete three consecutive years of honorable and faithful service
- If an Airman's service is marked by disciplinary action, judicial or non-judicial punishment, the three-year timeline resets, and Airmen must complete three more years of honorable and faithful service
- Designed by Joseph Kiselewski more than forty years ago, the medal keeps its original appearance
- The Secretary of the Air Force approved return of the medal based on recommendations from a Jan. 2008 awards summit co-hosted by Office of the Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower and Reserve Affairs and the Directorate for Manpower and Personnel
- The Air Force Personnel Center automatically updated award of the medal on Feb. 11. Airmen can check their records on the virtual Military Personnel Flight website

For questions regarding medal updates, contact the Air Force Contact Center at 1-800-616-3775.

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